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## Named 'Homemaker of Tomorrow'



JO-ANN DELLA-GIUSTINA

Miss Jo-Ann Della-Giustina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Della-Giustina of 19 Albert St., has recently been named the Agawam High School Betty Crocker "Homemaker of Tomorrow."

The selection was based on an examination taken by Miss Della-Giustina in December. A state "homemaker" will be chosen from the winners of the schools in the state and will receive a \$1500 college scholarship. The state winner will then go to Washington, D. C. for a tour. There the national winner, who will receive a \$5000 scholarship grant, will be named.

Miss Della-Giustina, who is a member of the National Honor Society, Model Congress, and Student Council at Agawam High, will attend Clark University in Worcester in September.

## Jr. Women's Club Bridge-Fashion Show Scheduled for Feb. 25

The theme for a dessert-bridge and fashion show to be presented by the Agawam Junior Women's Club will be "Fashion Round The Clock." Club members will model fashions depicting a full day from morning coats through formal evening dress on Tuesday evening, Feb. 25 at the Agawam Junior High School at 8.

Mrs. David C. Gallano, milliner, will follow the show of fashions with a brief discussion on hats and show, when and where to wear them.

Mrs. George R. Steven, chairman of the event will be assisted by Mrs. John A. Jury, Jr., and Mrs. Arthur E. Hastings, prizes; Mrs. James W. McNamee, tickets; Mrs. Ronald C. Balboni, table decorations; Mrs. Richard G. Atkinson, general decorations; Mrs. Robert C. Castelli and Mrs. Jeremiah C. Quill, models; Mrs. Lawrence Pisano, Jr. refreshments and Mrs. Charles T. Marquis, publicity.

Tickets may be purchased from Mrs. James W. McNamee and will also be sold at the door. The public is invited to attend.

## Agawam Lioness Club Meet Feb. 3

The Agawam Lioness Club will hold their February dinner meeting on Monday, Feb. 3rd at 7:30 p.m., at the Federal Hill Club.

The program for the evening will feature the popular "Quaker Auction."

Members are reminded to bring any small items they have to the meeting for the auction.

## Republican Town Committee To Hold Annual Banquet Feb. 16

Mr. Frank Chriscola, Jr., has been appointed general chairman for the Agawam Republican Town Committee annual banquet



FRANK CHRISCOLA, JR.

to be held at Betty's Towne House on Sunday evening, Feb. 16th, at 6:30.

Invitations to attend have been sent to Republican leaders including Gov. Francis Sargent, Senator Edward W. Brooke, Congressman Silvio O. Conte, State Senator G. Donald Hammond and many others.

As in the past the tickets to this highly successful event will be limited and sold on a first come first served basis. Mr. Chriscola has the following ticket committee assisting him: Ernest

Swanson, Brady Snyder, Ken Clouse, George Reynolds, Larry Andrews, Frederick Affleck, Leslie Moore, Sr., Donald McCave, Albert Christopher and Edward Connelly. Anyone desiring tickets should contact one of the above committee as soon as possible.

Further announcement concerning this annual highlight will be made as the various committees report to Mr. Chriscola.

## February Career Conferences at AHS

Mr. David Skolnick, Guidance Director at the Agawam High School, has announced the Career Conference schedule for the month of February. The conferences are held in the school auditorium at 8 a. m.

Wednesday, Feb. 5 — "Opportunities at Mass. Mutual," with Mrs. Shirley Carpenter, Mass. Mutual Life Insurance Co., Springfield, Mass.

Wednesday, Feb. 5 — "Fisher Junior College," Mr. Arnold Whitman, Fisher Junior College, Boston, Mass.

Friday, Feb. 7 — "Electronics and Refrigeration as Careers," Mr. Ralph Jordan, New England Technical Institute, New Britain, Conn.

Tuesday, Feb. 11 — "Opportunities at Northampton Commercial College," Mr. Charles Oak, Dean, Northampton Commercial College, Northampton, Mass.

Friday, Feb. 14 — "Opportunities at Leicester Junior College," Mr. Angelo R. Scola, Leicester Junior College, Leicester, Mass.

Monday, Feb. 17 — "Keuka College," Miss Linda Sockwoldt, Keuka College, Keuka Park, New York.

## Local High School Scholarship Awards

Agawam High School, Agawam, Mass., has been selected by Mass. Trades School, Boston, as one of the New England High Schools qualified to participate in the annual Mass. Trades Scholarship Awards.

Mass. Trades School, Boston, Mass., established 1936, and one of the oldest and largest vocational schools in the northeast, has been making these scholarship awards annually since 1963, in order to encourage more high school graduates to enter the vocational fields.

This scholarship, in the amount of \$1000, represents more than half-tuition, and will be awarded to one outstanding male graduate, Class of 1969, of Agawam High School, the winner to be determined by members of the high school's own faculty. This scholarship fund may be used by the appointee toward any program of day vocational training, at Mass. Trades School, in his choice of Machinist, Machine and Tool Designer, Draftsman, Electro-Mechanical Draftsman or Radio-Television Serviceman.

Further information may be obtained by contacting the high school's Guidance Division, or by writing directly to the Registrar, Mass. Trades Shops School, 161 High St., Boston, Mass.

## Golden Investment Accounts At Valley Bank and Trust Co.

Valley Bank and Trust Co. announced that a new "Golden Investment Account" has been added to the bank's savings plans.

William A. Lieson, Valley Bank president, explained that the new savings plan offers account holders the opportunity to have their dollars earn an annual interest rate of 5.13 per cent.

The Golden Investment Account, which requires a \$1000

initial deposit, will pay interest of 5 per cent, compounded daily and paid quarterly, according to Lieson.

Bank officials stress that the high interest is paid because of the 90-day withdrawal provision of the account. No notice of withdrawal is required provided the funds have been on deposit at least 90 days and are withdrawn during the first 10 days of each interest payment period.

"This plan offers stability for savings," Lieson said, "and is very desirable for persons who are planning for long-range goals such as buying homes, starting businesses, or educating children."

Lieson said the plan, which has a ceiling of \$100,000 exclusive of interest, is open to individuals, corporations, and non-profit organizations.

## Jaycees To Host "Battle of Bands"

The Agawam Jaycees will be hosting the fourth annual "Battle of the Bands" to be held at the Agawam Armory on Feb. 18. This year we are looking for teenage bands interested in competing in this event. Anyone interested should contact John Lawrie, 733-6598.

There will be a meeting of the Bands Committee at the Town Hall Thursday evening from 7:30 to 9. Interested bands may also sign up at that time. Band members and parents are also invited.

This year as in the past, the Bands will be competing for cash prizes as well as trophies. The winning band will go to Pittsfield, Mass., to compete in the Western Mass. finals to be held in March.

## Community Grange Program Feb. 4

Community Grange will hold their next meeting on Tuesday evening, Feb. 4th at 8 o'clock in the Grange home on North West St., Feeding Hills.

During the lecturer's hour a panel discussion will take place with four Community Grange members leading the discussion. The Topic is "Massachusetts — 'What's Ahead.'" Mrs. Jessie Tompkins' subject will be "What's ahead in welfare." Mr. Ralph Marriott will speak on (Please Turn To Page 4)

## Twin To Lecture Mothers of Twins

The Hampden County Mothers of Twins Club will hold their meeting Monday evening, Feb. 3rd, at 8 at the Dante Club, Memorial Ave., West Springfield, Mass.

The speaker for the evening is Dr. Ralph Levin-Epstein, a Twin himself, who will speak on "Twins-learning and behavior problems." Dr. Levin-Epstein is a prominent Holyoke Pediatrician and on the staff of the Providence Hospital and Holyoke Hospital.

Please be prompt as the program will begin promptly at 8 p. m. with the business meeting following conducted by the club president Mrs. Gerard Morneau.

Refreshments will be served following the meeting. Any mother of twins wishing to join the club, please contact Mrs. Robert Hawley, South Hadley, membership chairman.



THE BLOODMOBILE  
IS COMING...

## February Blood Center Schedule

Wednesday, Feb. 5 — Sinai Temple, 11 Dickinson St., Spfld. 1 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 11 — YMCA (Central), Buxton Room, 275 Chestnut St., Spfld. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 18 — K of C #160, 2071 Page Blvd., Indian Orchard. 1 p.m.-7 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 25 — American International Auditorium, Wilbraham Road, Spfld. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

For donor transportation and appointments call A. R. C. at 737-4306.

## Rehearsal of "A HAPPENING"



The Mr. and Mrs. Club of the Agawam Baptist Church will present their latest musical comedy extravaganza, "A Happening" by Goldie Sutton, at the church's new Bodurtha Hall on Friday and Saturday evenings, Feb. 7th and 8th at 8 p. m.

A cast of 40 is now in rehearsal under the direction of Everett Hodge for one of the club's most ambitious undertakings. Goldie Sutton's script will take its audience on a melodious, mirth filled trip to a deserted island in the West Pacific.

Dorothy Major is producer of the show with the following members of her staff:

Ruth Cassada, Stage Manager; Erwin Werthamer, Music; Theda Meyer, Choral Director; Lois and Alex Buiniskas, Set Design; Donald Cassada, Sound and lighting; Dorothy and Norman Jenks, Special Effects; Ruth Ann

Bailey, Wardrobe; Shirley Goss and Dorothy Hastings, Properties; Peter Lockhart, makeup; Ruth Cassada, Programs; Phyllis Damon, Tickets; Millie Cowan, Patrons and Patronesses; Shirley Goss and Ruth Davis, Prompters; Marjorie Greenough, Refreshments; Helen Lockhart, Ushers; Ronald Richards, parking; Roy Cowan, House Manager.

Featured in the large cast Rev. Benjamin T. Lockhart who announces that all proceeds from the show will go to the building fund and other church projects. Tickets are now on sale daily at the Agawam Baptist Church office, on Wednesdays at the Trading Post as well as at the door on both performances.

Pictured above, left to right: Everett Hodge, director; Theda Meyer, chorale director, and Erwin Werthamer, music accompanist.



## CHURCH NEWS

### BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Upper Church and Second Sts.  
West Springfield, Mass.  
Larry Thornton, Pastor

Sunday—9:45 a.m. Bible School for all ages; 11 a.m. Morning worship service. Supervised nursery service available upstairs in the church during both Bible School and morning service; 7 p.m. Evening Service.  
Wednesday — 7:30 p.m. Mid-week prayer meeting and Bible study.

(Bible Baptist Church is in fellowship with the General Assn. of Regular Baptist Churches and the American and International Councils of Christian Churches.)

### BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor  
Mrs. Ruth Daniels, Organist  
Mrs. Nancy Lund, Choir Director  
Mrs. Barbara Briggs,  
Church Secretary

Thursday: 7:30 p. m. Senior Choir rehearse at church; 8 p.m. Executive Board of the United Women's Fellowship meet in church parlor.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship—Rev. Lockhart will preach morning service. Communion will be served. Senior Choir will sing; 10:30 a.m. Church School for all ages; 2 p.m. Rehearsal for the Mr. and Mrs. Club Show "A Happening" by Goldie Sutton at church; 6 p. m. Senior and Junior BYF's meet; 7 p. m. Senior Board of Deacons meet at church.

Monday: 7:30 p. m. Rehearsal for the Mr. and Mrs. Club show in Bodurtha Hall. The show will be presented at the church on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 7 and 8.

Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. Melody Choir rehearse at church.

Wednesday: 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. and 7 to 9 p. m. Trading Post open; 7:30 pm Rehearsal for the Mr. and Mrs. Club Show in Bodurtha Hall.

### ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

Rev. Walter J. Joyce  
Rev. Albert Blanchard  
Saturday — Confessions 4 to 5:45 and 7:30 to 9 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE  
Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 a.m.

Tuesday—5:30 p.m., Mass followed by Miraculous Medal Novena.

### AGAWAM METHODIST CHURCH

459 Mill Street, Agawam  
Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister  
Mrs. Kenneth Alexander, Organist  
Mrs. Marshall Keyes,  
Sanctuary Choir Director  
Mrs. Kenneth Alexander,  
Junior/Youth Choir Director  
Friday — 6:15 p.m. Bowling teams at Westside.

Sunday—9:30 a.m. The Church at Worship . . . Nursery for infants; Church School in session; 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour; 6 p.m. Youth Group.

Tuesday: 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir practice.

### VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

"THE CHURCH ON THE HILL"  
Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Minister  
Mrs. Hazel Prior, Choir Director  
Mrs. John MacPherson, Organist  
Mrs. Richard Orr,  
Church Secretary

Thursday — 8 p.m. Trustees Meeting at the Church.

Sunday — 10 a.m. Morning Worship with sermon: The Authority of Jesus and Sunday School classes in Dunn Community Hall; 6 p. m. The Hilltoppers.

Monday — 8 p.m. February meeting of the Friendly Circle and Men's Club Important business to discuss. A film on drugs in America will be shown.

### ST. THERESA OF INFANT JESUS CHURCH

Rev. Paul Bernard  
MASS SCHEDULE  
Daily Mass—7 a.m.  
Saturday—8 a.m. Mass — 4:30 and 7:30 Confessions.  
Sunday — 7, 9 and 11 a.m. Mass.

### FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21 North Westfield St.  
Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney,  
Minister  
Randall L. Noftall, Organist  
Cynthia A. Meyer, Choir Director  
Thursday — 6:30 p.m. Cherub Choir rehearsal; 7 p.m. Senior Choir rehearsal.  
Sunday: 10 a.m. church school for nursery through 6th grade; 10 a.m. Worship service with Communion.

Monday: 6:30 p.m. Church School for grades 7, 8, 9th; 8 p. m. Meeting of the Church Council.

### ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

Rev. Samuel Fayad, C.S.S.,  
Rev. Joseph Mantia, C.S.S.  
Saturday—4 to 5 p.m. and 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. confessions.  
MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays—7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Week days—7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.  
Holy days—7 and 9 a.m., 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Tuesdays—7:30 p.m. St. Anthony Devotions.

### ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. John S. Tuler, Vicar  
Thursday—7 p.m. Boy Scout Troop #79 meets in parish hall.  
Friday — 3:15 p.m. Junior choir practices at the church.  
Saturday—9 a.m. Confirmation class at the church; 5-6:30 p.m. "Railroad dinner," public supper sponsored by Youth Fellowship in the parish hall.  
Sunday—8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10 a.m. Holy Communion; 7 p.m. Evening Prayer and Youth Fellowship.

Wednesday—9 a.m. Mid-week Prayer and Communion service; 7:30 p.m. Senior choir practice.

#### RAILROAD DINNER

This Saturday, Feb. 1st, beginning at 5 p.m., the famed "Railroad" dinner put on by members of the Youth Fellowship of St. David's Episcopal Church in the parish hall at 522 Springfield



## SOCIAL SECURITY Questions and Answers

Q. When I was 23 years old I became disabled but could not collect social security benefits because I hadn't worked long enough to qualify. Will the new amendments help me?

A. Yes. Now a person who becomes disabled before age 31

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### CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister  
Mrs. A. G. Toussaint,  
Minister of Music

Thursday: 12 noon. Ladies Aid Luncheon meeting. Program, New England Churches" by Mrs. E. M. McCormick.

Friday — 4:15 p.m. Pastor's Class for 9th Graders; 7 p.m. Boy Scout meeting; 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal.

Saturday — 8:45 a.m. Intermediate Choir rehearsal; 9:30 a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday — 9 p.m. Church at Morning Worship — Mr. Bryan preaching and 9 a.m. Church School, Nursery thru 6th Grade; 10 a.m. Church School, 7th Grade thru 12th Grade; 11 a.m. Church at Morning Worship—Mr. Bryan preaching and Church School, Nursery thru 6th Grade; 7:30 p.m. Senior Pilgrim Fellowship meeting.

Tuesday — 6:30 p.m. Senior choir rehearsal.

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Marrieds Supper meeting; 7:30 p. m. Teachers meeting.

### FUNERAL NOTICE

The funeral of Mrs. Claire C. (Regan) Ewell of 1180 Liberty St., Springfield, formerly of Agawam, mother of Richard D., Candace and Constance Ewell, was held Wednesday, Jan. 22, from the Curran-Jones Funeral Home. The Rev. Benjamin T. Lockhart officiated. Burial will be at the convenience of the family in Pocasset Cemetery, Bourne, Mass.

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## UNITED STATES Army - Navy - Marine Corps - Coast Guard

**GRADUATES FROM  
BASIC TRAINING**  
CAPE MAY, N. J. (FHTNC)—  
Seaman Apprentice Robert P.  
Holmes, USCG, son of Mr. and  
Mrs. Robert G. Holmes of 38  
Doane Ave., Agawam, was gra-



**Robert P. Holmes**  
duated from basic training at the  
Coast Guard Recruit Training  
Center, Cape May, N. J.

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enced Coast Guard petty officers,  
he successfully completed a rigid  
eight-week training program de-  
signed to transform him from a  
civilian into a trained Coast  
Guardman.

As a graduate he may apply,  
if eligible, for advanced training  
in one of the many occupational  
fields required by the Coast  
Guard, or he may be assigned to  
a Coast Guard unit operating in  
the United States or overseas.

### Oppenheimer Graduates From USAF Training Course

BILOXI, Miss.—Second Lieut-  
enant Robert G. Oppenheimer,  
son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold R.  
Oppenheimer of 122 Edward St.,  
Agawam, has been graduated at  
Keesler AFB, Miss., from the  
training course for U. S. Air  
Force administrative officers.

Lieutenant Oppenheimer, a  
graduate of Agawam High  
School, is being assigned to Nor-  
ton AFB, Calif.

The lieutenant received a B.S.  
degree in 1968 from the Univer-  
sity of Massachusetts, where he  
was commissioned upon comple-  
tion of the Air Force Reserve Of-  
ficers Training Corps program.  
He is a member of Phi Beta  
Kappa.

His wife, Wendy, is the daugh-  
ter of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Wer-  
thamer of 42 Central St., Aga-  
wam.

**TECH SCHOOL GRAD**  
WICHITA FALLS, Tex.—Air-  
man Robert G. Dionne, son of  
Mr. and Mrs. Maurice A. Dionne,  
25 Reed St., Agawam, has been  
graduated from a U. S. Air Force  
technical school at Sheppard  
AFB, Tex.

He was trained as an air  
freight specialist and has been  
assigned to a unit of the Aero-  
space Defense Command at Tyn-  
dall AFB, Fla.

The airman is a 1967 graduate  
of Agawam High School.

**R. CROSS SERVING  
IN VIETNAM**  
VIETNAM (FHTNC) — Ma-  
rine Corporal Richard L. Cross,  
son of Mrs. Harry Quick Jr., of  
144 Autumn St., Agawam, is  
serving with the First Recon-  
naissance Battalion, First Marine Di-  
vision in Vietnam.

Marines of the battalion infil-  
trate deep into enemy territory  
to gather intelligence. While on  
patrol, Marines of the unit often  
call in and direct artillery and  
air strikes against concentrated  
enemy forces.

### Marshmallow Fudge

1 2/3 cups sugar  
2 tablespoons butter  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
2/3 cup evaporated milk  
1 1/2 cups semisweet chocolate  
bits  
2 1/2 cups miniature marshmal-  
lows  
1 cup chopped pecans  
1 1/4 teaspoons vanilla  
Combine sugar, butter, salt, and  
evaporated milk in a saucepan.  
Cook, stirring constantly, until  
sugar is melted and the mixture  
starts to bubble. Reduce heat to  
low and cook at a slow boil 8  
minutes without stirring. Remove  
from fire. Add chocolate, marsh-  
mallows, pecans, and vanilla.  
Beat until the marshmallows are  
melted. Pour at once into a  
greased nine-by-nine-inch pan,  
and cut into squares as desired.  
Makes five to six dozen pieces.

## KEEP IT CLEAN

By Virginia M. White

DEAR MRS. WHITE: Living  
in the South, my biggest problem  
is mildew. Have you a solution  
for these stains? DESPERATE.  
DEAR DESPERATE: Brush  
stained areas outdoors in sun.  
Launder in hot water, adding 1/2  
cup Super Cleaner, 1/2 cup NON-  
chlorine perborate bleach, 1/4  
cup detergent. Mildew is a mold  
and should be attended to  
promptly. Areas sustaining  
mold can rot. Good luck.

DEAR MRS. WHITE: Collars  
and cuffs impossible to clean.  
Please advise. GRATEFUL.

DEAR GRATEFUL: Soil is  
from body oil.  
Pretreat with  
liquid laundry  
detergent, rub  
in, allow to  
stand 25 min-  
utes. Launder in  
hot water, ad-  
ding 1/2 cup  
NON-chlorine bleach and a little  
more detergent.

DEAR MRS. WHITE: My  
problem is catsup stains. Is  
there a remedy? MRS. E.M.

DEAR MRS. E.M.: Stains  
containing tomato content  
should be presoaked in cold  
water. Follow-up with washing  
in hot water, adding 1/4 cup  
Miracle White Super Cleaner,  
1/2 cup NON-chlorine bleach, 1/4  
cup low sudsing detergent.

DEAR MRS. WHITE: I can-  
not remove ball point ink from  
my son's white shirts. GRATE-  
FUL MOTHER.

DEAR MOTHER: Try either  
hair spray or denatured alcohol  
(diluted in equal parts of  
water). Place tissue or blotter  
under stain; work from reverse  
side of cloth. Apply hair spray  
or diluted alcohol. Absorb ink  
as it comes through on tissue  
(replacing as needed). Launder  
in heavy suds and 1/2 cup NON-  
chlorine bleach.

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a postage stamp was \$41,000, for  
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tising are carried in the famous  
reply by humorist Mark Twain.  
A subscriber found a spider in  
his newspaper and demanded to  
know the meaning of it. Editor  
Twain replied, "Finding a spider  
in your newspaper is neither good  
nor bad. The spider was merely  
looking over the paper to see  
which merchant was not adver-  
tising, so that he could go to that  
store, spin his web across the  
door, and lead a life of undis-  
turbed peace ever after."

The natural life time of a red-  
wood is not known; it is possible  
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## Oddities of 1968

Heard the one about the bungling banana bandit?

He figured in one of the daffiest of Aetna Life & Casualty's annual collection of bizzare insurance claim cases.

The young desperado approached a cashier in a San Diego grocery, inadvertently drew a ripe banana instead of his revolver, and boldly proclaimed a stickup. Thrown into a near panic when he discovered his mistake, the callow Clyde with the bonnie banana still managed to fumble out his real gun and split with \$745 before the laughter died.

Here are some of the best "weirdies" from among the 14 million claims handled by Aetna in 1968:

From Tucson comes another tale of ludicrous larceny. This one starred a shoplifter who bit an arm and leg of a vigilant drug store clerk in a mad gnash to freedom.

And while a Milwaukee homeowner's watch dog had the right to bite, he became so nervous after an encounter with burglars that his owner took him to a vet "to see what could be done about his state of mind." The pooch's prescription was for tranquilizers.

A Missouri policyholder was anything but tranquil after being shaken up in an auto accident. And even 120 days after the minor mishap, he claimed that he was still too nervous to return to his job—racking up pool balls.

Flying high last year were a soused simian and a pack of pickled pig's feet. The revelling Rhesus monkey molested tourists at a Florida zoo after being fed whiskey by a unidentified, but obviously over-spirited, employee. And in Houston "a person or persons unknown" heaved a jar of hog's hoofs through the windshield of a claimant's pickup truck.

Of course, the ladies played a prominent role in the "Oddities of 1968." For example, a Phoenix motorist slammed into a utility pole to avoid hitting a man who dashed into the street. Traffic was the least of the latter's problems—he was being hotly pursued by a woman waving a revolver.

And a Coral Gables, Fla. driver plowed into a gate when he was distracted by a woman in topless attire who was chasing a small boy down the street. A policeman parked nearby admitted that he didn't see the crash.

Another accident gave an Aetna customer in Albuquerque mixed feelings about insurance protection. Driving home after visiting his agent, he crashed into another car while leaning forward to pick up something which had fallen from his dashboard — his newly-acquired auto insurance policy.

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## Community Grange

(Continued From Page 1)

"What's ahead in taxes." "What's ahead in civil rights" will be presented by Mrs. Lovisa Sgorbati and Mr. George Collins will talk on "What's ahead in the Massachusetts anti-poverty program. Miss Florence Blush is chairman of the panel and will co-ordinate the subjects discussed and urge general discussion from the audience on all phases of the subject.

A social hour will follow the closing of the Grange. Refreshments will be served by a committee of which Mrs. Ruth Allen is chairman assisted by Miss Linda Allen, Miss Elizabeth Werner and Keith Saunders.



### Candy Mint Drive Set

The Agawam YMCA annual candy mint drive date has been set for Saturday, Feb. 15th at 12 noon at the high school gym. Over 100 cases of mints have been ordered this year. This project is held by the youth members to raise money for the youth programs that are carried out during the year. This year's drive is especially important due to the fact that the U. F. support has been cut back.

### Swanson on Metropolitan Board of Directors

James Loomis, president of the Agawam YMCA, announced that Ernest C. Swanson was nominated to be one of the four representatives on the Springfield Metropolitan YMCA Board. He will represent Agawam for a period of two years. The other representatives on the board are James Loomis, Paul Adams and Nicholas Zucco.

### Indian Guide Nation Meeting

On Friday, Jan. 31st there will be a chief's meeting of all Indian Guides in the Pioneer Valley Area. This meeting will be held at the West Springfield YMCA at 8 p.m. In addition to the regular business meeting there will be a work shop on marking Indian Arm Bustles. All Indian guide tribes from Agawam are invited.

### Smorgasbord Door Prize Winners

Mario Sakellis announced that the following are the winners of the door prizes at the smorgasbord held last Saturday: Roland Reed, T.V. set; Robert DelRocco, lamp; Russell Webster, golf club; Amy Bickford, box of candies; Craig Rovelli, and Cindy Carpenter, mixing bowls; Barbara Murphy, a wonder knife; Patricia Watson, a weather station; Donna Liberty, electric tooth brush; Donald Faits, electric can opener; Jean Lango and Steven Cassidy, perfume; Alan Edwards, Tom Knight, Ida Colli, John Seaver, wallets; Mrs. Thelma Bercier, a bank gift certificate; and Helen McMullin, a box of beverage.

The following received 15 gallons of gas gift certificates, Arthur Graves, Dave Meyer, Jay Seaver, Elizabeth Adams, Harvey Carpenter, Jay Chandler, Jan Chandler, George Stevens, Jim Loomis, Marie Zucco, Dave Marshall, Tom Colli, Gordon Smart, Peter Piecuch and Marjorie Moors.

Any of the above who have not received their gifts may come to the Agawam YMCA office at 108 Perry Lane.



"Guess you'll just have to face it, dad—I'm no child prodigy..."

**February 3**  
through  
**February 7**

### SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Hamburg on roll-mustard, relish, onions, candied sweet potatoes, buttered peas, peanut butter sandwich, gingerbread w/topping, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, sausage grinder, garden salad w/tomatoes & spinach greens, peanut butter sandwich, fruit cocktail, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, toasted ham and cheese roll, potato chips, buttered corn, peanut butter sandwich, lemon pie square, milk.

Thursday: Elbow macaroni w/tomato, cheese, meat sauce, buttered green beans, bread/butter, pineapple crisp, milk.

Friday: Orange juice, frank-furt on roll, mustard, catsup, baked beans, peanut butter sandwich, chocolate cake w/butter icing, milk.

### JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, sloppy Joe on water roll, buttered carrots, sliced peaches, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, grinders (sliced meat, cheese, lettuce, tomato), pickles, potato chips, butter cookie, pineapple, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, hamburger on bun, cheese, buttered corn, peanut butter sandwich, fruit cup, milk.

Thursday: Juice, roast turkey in gravy, mashed potato, carrots/peas, bread/butter, ice cream, milk.

Friday: Juice, grilled cheese sandwich, homemade baked beans, cabbage/carrot salad, pineapple upside-down cake, milk.

### DANAHI

Monday: Juice, hamburger on roll, corn, applesauce cake, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, baked chicken, mashed potatoes, bread/butter, broccoli, fruited jello, milk.

Wednesday: Shell macaroni in meat sauce, bread/butter, green beans, pineapple, milk.

Thursday: Juice, meat balls in brown gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, prune spice cake, cheese wedge, milk.

Friday: Juice, pizza, cheese wedge, salad, tapioca pudding w/pineapple, milk.

### GRANGER

Monday: Spaghetti w/meat and tomato sauce, buttered green beans, bread/butter, peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, grilled hamburger on buttered roll, relish, catsup, onion rings, cheese slice, candied sweet potatoes, frosted cake square, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, baked beans w/frankfurt rings (catsup), cabbage carrot salad, raisen bread/butter, pineapple upside down cake w/topping, milk.

Thursday: Meat ravioli w/meat sauce, lettuce tomato salad, peanut butter sandwich, pears, milk.

Friday: Juice, tomato soup, peanut butter jelly sandwich, ½ hardboiled egg, cookies, fresh fruit, milk.

### PEIRCE

Monday: Beef vegetable stew, carrot sticks, cheese muffins and bread/butter, orange fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, grilled ham/cheese sandwich, buttered green beans, potato chips, spicy prune cake w/butter icing, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, pork meat balls in brown gravy, whipped potatoes, cranberry sauce, buttered peas/carrots, bread/butter, chocolate cookies, milk.

Thursday: Juice, chicken pie w/biscuit topping, buttered kernel corn, peanut butter jelly sandwich, vanilla pudding w/fruit topping, milk.

Friday: Baked beans, cole slaw w/grated carrots, buttered corn bread, cheese fingers, pineapple tidbits, milk.

### PHELPS

Monday: Juice, hamburger on roll, sliced onions, relish, candied sweet potatoes, buttered green beans, butter cake w/lemon whip topping, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, peas, bread/butter, ice cream, milk.

Wednesday: Sloppy Joe on buttered bun, tossed green salad, orange wedges, milk.

Thursday: Juice, browned meat w/gravy, mashed potatoes, 12 minute cabbage, bread/butter, chocolate cake w/butter frosting, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna burger on buttered roll, cabbage carrot salad, applesauce, peanut butter cookie, milk.

### ROBINSON

Monday: Juice, meat ball grinder w/sauce, buttered green beans, cheese sticks, sliced peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Turkey in Gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, cranberry sauce, ice cream, milk.

Wednesday: Citrus Juice, hamburger on buttered roll, catsup, buttered carrots, potato chips, butter cake w/fudge sauce, milk.

Thursday: Elbow macaroni w/meat sauce, buttered beans, French bread/butter, fruit cup, milk.

Friday: Juice, grilled cheese sandwich, peanut butter sandwich, tossed green salad w/spinach, blueberry cake w/butter frosting, milk.

### SOUTH

Monday: Sloppy Joe on hard buttered roll, cheese sticks, ABC salad, fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, chicken w/gravy on buttered rice, glazed sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, buttered green beans, applesauce cake, milk.

Wednesday: Baked elbow macaroni w/meat sauce, fruit slaw salad, buttered Vienna bread, peaches, milk.

Thursday: Hot open pork sandwich w/gravy, buttered broccoli, cheese sticks, applesauce, milk.

Friday: Citrus juice, vegetable soup, crackers, tuna burger sandwich, celery sticks, fresh pear, milk.

Westerners have tended to judge the ability of different groups of people and to rate their culture not by how well they adapt to their environments but by how well they control them, according to the Audubon Society.

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# HOWDY NEIGHBOR

By BOYD PIERCE

Chips on the shoulder make fine fuel for quarrels.

Cannibals often take their missionaries with a grain of salt.

The only thing harder than stopping smoking is telling others how you did it.

Think of the poor parent flea. He knows for sure that all of his offspring will be certain to go to the dogs.

At the end of a complete meal Junior was heard to remark, "What, no dessert? You mean I ate all that food for nothing?"

Shaking your fist and blowing your horn will never be as effective as taking your foot off the accelerator and letting the smart aleck go on by.

All success is relative. The more success you have, the more relatives.

A girl never marries a man for better or worse anymore. Now it's for more or less.

We no sooner teach our little ones how to talk than it is time to tell them constantly to be quiet.

A miser is a fellow who hardly ever goes buy-buy.

It's not too much of a trick to turn grass into butter if you have a cow and a churn.

No one is ever too old to learn but a lot of us keep putting it off.

Happiness is finding your glasses before you forget what you wanted them for.

Those who hear no evil, speak no evil and see no evil today are possibly deaf, dumb and blind.

Today's hippie would have been considered a bum a few years ago.

If you really like to work, you won't have any trouble finding someone, willing to let you enjoy yourself.

## WATCH OUT FOR THE OTHER GUY



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## Salmon Cheese "Cake" Is Really An Elegant Mousse



Cottage cheese and tender flakes of canned salmon are molded in a crust to look just like cheesecake. It's actually a perfect luncheon salad for a warm day. Serve it with dainty sandwiches of whole wheat bread and sweet butter.

Many convenience foods offer tempting summer fare with a minimum of time and a maximum of flavor. One of these is canned salmon, which is hard to beat. It's good just as it comes from the can, or it combines perfectly with other foods such as vegetables and salad greens. It is also easy to "dress up" to suit the occasion, for salmon is an elegant fish and makes an elegant salad mousse such as this recipe which follows:

### Salmon Cheese "Cake" Mousse

1½ cups unsweetened zwieback crumbs  
6 tablespoons melted butter  
2 envelopes plain gelatin  
½ cup cold water  
2 eggs, separated  
½ teaspoon salt  
½ cup milk  
3 cups cream-style cottage cheese  
2 tablespoons lemon juice  
Grated rind of 1 lemon  
7¾-ounce can salmon, flaked  
1 cup heavy cream, whipped

There was the coach who was always exercising his football players' minds by asking them what they would do under such and such conditions during an important game.

Walking the sideline one day,

Combine crumbs and melted butter. Line bottom and sides of a buttered 7½-inch spring-form pan with ¾ of the crumb mixture and chill. Reserve remaining crumbs.

Soften gelatin in cold water.

In small saucepan combine egg yolks, salt and milk. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until egg mixture coats the spoon. Remove from heat, add gelatin and stir until gelatin is thoroughly dissolved. Set aside.

Beat cheese thoroughly. Beat in lemon juice and rind and the egg mixture. Fold in salmon. Beat egg whites until stiff, but not dry, and fold into salmon-cheese mixture. Fold in whipped cream. Spoon mixture into crumb-lined pan and sprinkle with remaining crumbs. Chill for several hours, or until set.

To serve: Carefully remove sides of the spring-form pan, and place the "cake" on a cold serving plate. If desired, garnish with radish roses and sprays of parsley.

he stopped where Johnny was sitting, and said, "Johnny, if it were third down and 25 yards to go, and we were on our own 45-yard line, what would you do?"

"I'd move to the other end of the bench so I could see the play better," confessed Johnny.

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## My Beat — A.H.S.

Jo-Ann Della-Giustina

Students interested in playing chess have found their after school hours in Mr. Stentaford's room. At present a chess tournament to find the chess champion of the school is in progress. The chess club is being advised by Mr. Stentaford for any student interested in this game of strategy.

### LITERARY CLUB

In conjunction with the teachers' Reading Club, the student Literary Club has been discussing various books they have read. Among the books that have been read are: Romeo and Juliet, Malcolm X, and Death at an Early Age. The club has also gone to see a variety of plays throughout the area. Advisor to the club is Mrs. Mackler.

### STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Actively participating in the activities of AHS is the Student Council. In the past they have sponsored high school dances and children's movies. During the winter vacation, a Winter Carnival sponsored by the SC will be

held. Next week AHS students will appear on the Brad Davis Show on Channel 3 through the planning of the SC. The organization is trying to better Agawam High, and with the cooperation of the students, faculty and parents, they will accomplish this betterment.

COMING EVENTS: Operetta presentation on March 13, 14, and 15....Seniors order caps and gowns on Monday....Basketball team on top...Hockey team doing well...

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## SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By BILL CHIBA

An enlarged program has been announced by the NRA for the 1969 National Rifle and Pistol Championships.

The World Series of shooting will again be held at Camp Perry, Ohio, historic home of the matches, Aug. 2 through Aug. 25. This year's championships will have additional days in the program to accommodate more shooting action and more comprehensive school sessions.

Last year's matches were conducted for the first time entirely by the NRA and its one-millionth plus member organization. Nearly 250 volunteer workers, 2200 competitors, instructors, students,

more than 100 full and part time employees contributed to the success of the matches. The NRA plans to ask for volunteers from among its membership again this year with an immediate goal of 300 volunteers.

The competitions will again be divided into three phases—pistol, small bore rifle and high power rifle. There will also be a police school, NRA instructor school and NRA junior school.

In addition to repeating all of last year's events, the 1969 program will call for: 1 additional day for the small bore rifle position matches; 2 additional days for high power team matches; 1 additional day for 1,000-yd., high power rifle matches; 1 additional day for each of the three schools, and small bore rifle team matches have been scheduled for competitors in lieu of practice.

The tentative dates for various championship activities are: Police School, July 30-Aug. 2; Pistol Championship, Aug. 2-7; Small bore Rifle Prone Championship, Aug. 9-13; Smallbore Rifle Position Championship, Aug. 14-15; NRA Instructor School, Aug. 10-15; NRA Junior School, Aug. 13-15; High Power Rifle Championship, Aug. 17-25.

Last year the smallbore rifle team matches were shot at Akron, Ohio, the long-range high power

rifle matches were staged at Oak Ridge, Tenn., and the high power rifle team matches were fired at Phoenix, Arizona.

A sleek 38-ft. convertible Hatteras yacht will reign as Queen of the Mammoth 1969 International Boat Show which docks in Boston's War Memorial Auditorium on Saturday, Feb. 8, and continues through Sunday, Feb. 16.

Frank Farrell, executive director of N. E. Marine Trades Assn., has indicated that this will be the largest show of leading boat manufacturers in N. E. The entire two floors of the auditorium will be utilized for exhibits, and the high ceilings in the main hall make it possible to show some of the tallest sailboats as well as some of the largest inboards.

National exhibits of foremost engine companies will be featured including Mercury, Evinrude, Chrysler, Sea Gull, Bear Cat-Homelite, Gale, Palmer, and others.

Completing the show will be a tremendous variety of nautical accessories including anchors, pumps, clothing, cordage, docks, piers, flags, electric systems, furniture and horns.

The Agawam Bowmen Club, Inc., will meet Monday, Feb. 3rd at St. Anthony's Society Hall, Springfield St., Feeding Hills. Dick Meade, president, will get the meeting going by 8 p.m. On the agenda, is nominations for officers and board of directors... tournament dates to finalize, and the final arrangements for the annual banquet which will be held April 26.

One newlywed to another: "Marriage is really a grind. You wash dishes, make beds — then two weeks later you have it to do all over again!"

## Boat Show At Suffolk Downs Feb. 22-Mar. 2

BOSTON—An expanded parking area for more than 10,000 cars will be open free of charge to visitors attending the 13th annual New England Boat Show, Feb. 22 through March 2 at Suffolk Downs, East Boston, it was announced today.

### 'Y' Smorgasbord Grand Success

Nicholas Zucco, chairman of the Agawam YMCA Smorgasbord reports that 500 persons attended the supper last Saturday. Mr. Zucco wishes to express appreciation to all the residents of Agawam and neighboring communities for their wonderful support of this annual Family Supper for the benefit of the youth in Agawam.

He is also very grateful to the many business men who generously gave both food and prizes to insure success for this YMCA event and to the ladies who donated cakes and other baked goods for the food sale conducted for the YMCA by Lioness President Mrs. Robert Johnson and Mrs. James Orsatti.

The services of the YMCA Directors, members of the Agawam Lions Club and Cadette Troops 39 and 124 are recognized with sincere thanks and appreciation. The Scouts who represented their Troops were: Virginia Burr, Elaine Gregory, Carol Walker, Debbie Taupier, Deena Grant, Adela Demko, Joan Cavanaugh, Kayne Smith, Linda Mutti, Colleen Meissner, Susan Affleck, and Brenda Binnenkade.

The show, the third largest of its kind in the United States, will feature a multi-million dollar array of the new boats, motors and marine accessories for recreational purposes during the 1969 season, it was noted by Edward M. Flanagan, show director.

"In order to accommodate the many thousands of boating enthusiasts who annually attend the show, we're delighted that an enlarged area will be made available as a public service to accommodate individuals and families motoring to the race track," stated Flanagan.

All signs, Flanagan added, point to record participation by leading boating manufacturers from throughout the United States and the world. More than a dozen foreign countries will ship their newest lines of recreational craft to Suffolk Downs for the mammoth 13th annual marine exposition—rated a year ago as the No. 1 retail boat show in the nation. Consumer purchases at the show totaled nearly \$4 million a year ago.

During the nine day show, the Suffolk Downs Clubhouse will be converted into a huge, heated indoor marina with everything from \$50,000 power cruisers to sleek ocean racers filling over 3½ acres of display space on two levels. Such leading firms as Johnson, Mercury and Chrysler will once again participate, along with dozens of privately owned boating and marine equipment firms.

### LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
HAMPDEN ss PROBATE COURT  
To all persons interested in the estate of **MARY J. BARBIERI** otherwise **MARIA J. BARBIERI** late of Agawam in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that **PAULINE V. BARBIERI** of said Agawam, be appointed administratrix of said estate without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield, in the County of Hampden, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighteenth day of February 1969, the return day of this citation.

Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of January 1969.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register.  
(Jan. 23-30, Feb. 6)

### MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage given by **THOMAS F. JOHNSON** to **NORTHAMPTON INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS**, dated August 29, 1967 and recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book 3283, Page 198, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, there will be sold at Public Auction at Ten O'clock A.M. on Thursday, February 20, 1969, on the premises hereinafter described, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage, said premises being therein described substantially as follows, to wit:

"...certain real estate situated in that part of AGAWAM, Hampden County, Massachusetts, known as **FEEDING HILLS**, being designated as Lot #23 (twenty-three), as shown on a plan of lots recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book of Plans 104, Pages 64 and 65, said lot being bounded and described as follows:

**EASTERLY:** by Carmel Lane, as shown on said plan, one hundred ten (110) feet;  
**SOUTHERLY:** by Lot #21 (twenty-one), as shown on said plan, one hundred ninety-seven and 20/100 (197.20) feet;  
**WESTERLY:** by land now or formerly of Carmel Associates, Inc., seventy-six and 68/100 (76.88) feet;  
**NORTHERLY:** by Lots #26 (twenty-six) and #25 (twenty-five), both as shown on said plan, two hundred (200) feet.

SUBJECT to easement rights of Western Massachusetts Electric Company, et al, under instrument dated October 24, 1966 and recorded as aforesaid in Book 3223, Page 237.

BEING the same premises conveyed to me by Charles R. Calabrese by deed to be recorded herewith."

The above premises will be sold subject to all outstanding municipal taxes, tax titles, assessments or liens, if any.

One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale as earnest money. Other terms to be announced at the sale.

**NORTHAMPTON INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS**  
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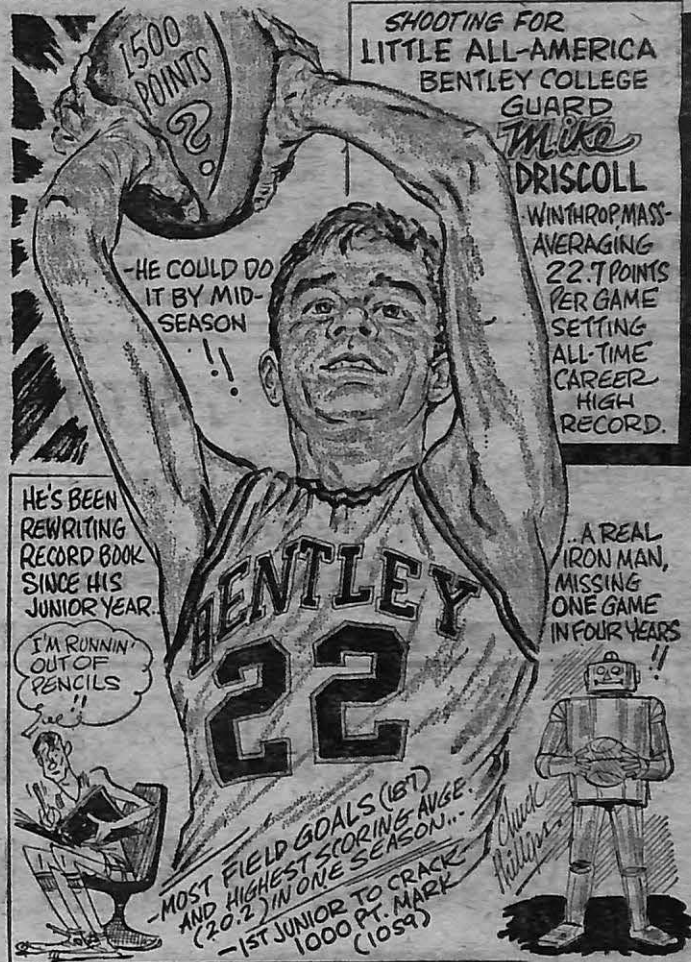
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## Internal Revenue Service Official Questions-Answers

**Q.** My husband and I both work and have separate incomes. Is it possible for my husband to file a separate return itemizing his deductions and when I file my return can I take the 10% standard deduction or the minimum standard deduction?

**A.** The answer to your question is a very emphatic No. If the husband or wife itemizes his or her deductions in filing a separate return the other must also itemize.

**Q.** Whether or not one can claim someone as a dependent has always been a problem and it has never been too clear in my mind as to how much can an individual earn and still be claimed as a dependent of another?

**A.** Generally, a person cannot be claimed as a dependent if his year's income is \$600 or more. The only exception is that your child or step child who is under the age of 19, or is a full-time student may be claimed as a dependent regardless of his earnings, as long as you provided more than one-half of his total support for the year.

**Q.** We received a red, white and blue Form 1040 and our friend across the hall received a regular black and white form. Do we have to file the colored form?

**A.** It is not mandatory that you use the new form sent you but by its use you are assured of immediate and accurate processing of your return. The multi-colored form is specially designed to alert taxpayers to the areas where errors are most frequently made. You are urged to pay particular attention to the numbered lines on the face of the return printed in red ink. We strongly recommend that you use the new multi-colored 1040 form that was mailed to you.

**Q.** The Form 1040 that my husband and I received has a label with our name and address attached to it. In the event that we do not use this form, will it cause any delay in the processing of our return?

**A.** The return that was sent to you from the Service Center has attached to it what we call a "Piggyback Label." This label has your name(s), address and social security number. By using this return you will affect expeditious processing of your return, as the "Piggyback Label" is an indication that the information contained thereon is accurate and matches up with our master file.

In the event you choose to use another form be absolutely certain to either transfer the "Piggyback Label" or copy it in detail on your other form.

**Q.** We are preparing our Form 941, Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return, for the last quarter of 1968 and are not certain as to where it may be filed this year. Will you advise as to what office it should be filed with?

**A.** Form 941 for the last quarter of 1968 should be mailed to the Internal Revenue Service, JF Kennedy Bldg., Boston, Mass. 02203. Eventually these forms will be filed directly with the North-Atlantic Service Center. However, when this procedure becomes effective, all employers will be notified.

**Q.** My husband is hospitalized (terminal case) and I visit him daily. No public transportation is available and I drive 80 miles round-trip daily to the hospital. Can I take the cost of travel as a deduction on my Federal income tax return?

**A.** Such travel has to be considered in the light of a personal expense and one cannot be taken as a deductible item on your Federal income tax return.

**Q.** In various articles and in some instances on radio broadcasts I have heard the term used, "taxable income." Would you clarify this for me and explain just what is taxable income?

**A.** Taxable income includes but is not limited to:

Wages, salaries, bonuses, commissions and tips

Dividend and interest income  
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**Q.** I have been on unemployment for sometime and the question in my mind is—are my unemployment benefits taxable?

**A.** No, unemployment compensation is not taxable. Other examples of non-taxable income are:

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Accident and Health insurance proceeds

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Interest on State and municipal bonds

Veterans Administration benefits  
Dividends on veterans insurance

**Q.** We are living in a two-family house which we purchased in 1968 and rent out one apartment. How do we report the income and expenses relative to the rent of the apartment?

**A.** When you file your Form 1040 you will include with it a Schedule B on which rental income and expenses are to be reported.

**Q.** My son started college in 1968 and I am paying his tuition. It seems to me that I have been reading quite a bit lately regarding tuition as being deductible on your Federal income tax return. Is this right?

**A.** No, tuition is a personal expense and a taxpayer is not permitted to take it as a deduction on his Federal income tax return.

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### AHS Announce

#### Musical Cast

The cast for Agawam High School Musical "How To Succeed In Business" includes many veteran performers.

William Barker, who had major roles in the past three musicals will portray the lead part of Finch; Michael Connolly with past experience in two shows takes the part of Mr. Biggley; John Scherpa has his second leading role; David Neill, also will portray his second role, Dennis Hawkins, veteran soloist, has the female lead.

Other seniors who will be taking key parts are Kathy Ryer, Christine Raschi, Dennis Biagetti, Donald Lederer, Alan Edwards, and George Bickford.

Juniors in lead roles include Brenda Boldabook and Wayne LaRiviere; while sophomore James Gibson has a major part in the role of Frump.

Pianists who are working at rehearsals for the musical are Carol Heyl, Marilyn McCobb, Frederick Kulas, Paula McLeod and Martha Heyl. A large orchestra also is working on their books and will augment the large stage chorus and pit chorus in musical numbers of the production.

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Young Mr. Manley, by stimulating the interest of youth in an anti-litterbug campaign around his community, could well start a national youth movement for cleaner cities. After all, it is the youth who will be living for many decades with the mess that litterbugs are creating around us today. The effort of this high school student and his helpers deserves the widest publicity and encouragement of fellow citizens.

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By ANNA D. BISSENETTE

## AROUND POST HOME

Business was brisk on Jan. 24th and we wish to thank the members and friends who heard our appeal for more participation and the results throughout the week were satisfying.

Friday, the 31st, menu will be: steamed clams, tuna club sandwich with lettuce, tomato, cheese; French fries, Italian Ziti and meatballs, bacon, lettuce and tomato sandwiches; large and small orders of French fries. Anna Hayes and Anna Bissonnette will serve you there. See YOU!

Attending the World War I Installation on Sunday, Jan. 26, were Comdr. Harpin, Roland Ruele and Past Comdr. Negrucmi, President Emily Dias, Sr. Vice-Pres. Katy Dickinson and P. P. Venetta Snyder of Post Auxiliary No. 1632 were there to serve them their delicious Italian smorgasbord. We wish to offer our best to all the officers who were installed but especially to James Cleary who was installed for the ninth consecutive year. Orville Burt and other Post members were there to lend a hand also. . . keep up the good work Jim and Orville. . .

Meanwhile on the 26th QM Bissonnette who is Gov. of Moose Lodge No. 1935, attended the Class Enrollment at St. Theresa's Hall. Gov. Bissonnette sponsored Kenny Cowels, Charles (Chuck) Liddel and Anthony Carpenelli and presented them with their first MOOSE TIE.

## AND MANY MORE

Happy Birthday to: Don Curran, Jan. 24; Julia Ardizoni, Jan. 29; Frank Frasco, Feb. 1; James Ford, Feb. 12; Gus Hocker, Feb. 14; (What a Valentine for the Hockers that day); Feb. 18, to Margaret Ardizoni, Past President of the Auxiliary; Happy Anniversary to Ethel and Roland Ruele on their 29th on Feb. 6th; to Mr. and Mrs. David Galano on Feb. 14.

## MEMBERSHIP

Only 18 more members to go for 100% for 1969 — Join one of the largest organizations in the world—send in your dues. WHY wait until we ask again — Pay now. . .

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan. 28—Legislative Dinner—Statler Hotel, Boston.  
Feb. 7, 8, 9—Mid-Winter conference, Washington, D. C.  
Feb. 15—Dept. Dinner Dance, Beaumont Post No. 6712, Revere, Mass.  
Feb. 16—JOINT Mid-Winter conference.  
Feb. 22, Open Dept. meeting.

## CITATIONS

Following are the requirements for a citation to be presented at

the State Convention in June 1969.

**ATTENTION ALL CHAIRMEN:** Membership: 75% paid-up membership by Dec. 31, 1968; 100% paid-up membership by March 31, 1969;

Donations to the following: Hospital Pledge—100% by March 31, 1969; Variety Show by March 31, 1969; Jr. Vice-Pres. Project by April 15th, 1969; Loyalty Day by May 10, 1969; Cancer Fund \$1 per member, with 60% of total membership as of June 30th, 1968. Donation to be recorded in the Dept. Office as of April 30, 1969.

Military Ball—Closing date of donation—day of the Ball.

**PARTICIPATION** in the National President's Ten Point Program: AMERICANISM, CANCER FUND, CIVIL DEFENSE, HOSPITAL V.A.V.S. WORK, LEGISLATIVE, MEMBERSHIP, COMMUNITY SERVICE, NATIONAL HOME FUND, REHABILITATION AND YOUTH ACTIVITIES. The Auxiliary MUST BE present at one of the CONFERENCES AND CONVENTIONS MENTIONED ABOVE.

## OUR CHILDREN IN MASS. COTTAGE

Send Christmas, Easter, etc., cards to the children in our Massachusetts cottage. . . Here are their birthdays: June 17, Andrea Estherhai; July 6, Roberta Watts; Sept. 8, Danny Watts; Nov. 19, Stephen Estherhai; Dec. 1, Marion Watts; Jan. 10, Colleen Varney; Feb. 14, Mark Estherhai; Feb. 25, Eddie Watts. LETS remember them.

## SAVE A DATE

Feb. 4—Bingo at Holyoke Soldiers Home—cupcakes needed as well as volunteers.

Feb. 7 and 14—Clam Nights at VFW.

Feb. 18—Dept. Presidents visit to Agawam Unit on South St.—Everyone make an effort to be present — should be an interesting and enjoyable meeting.

**FRENCH NIGHT ANNOUNCEMENTS** will be made HERE. . . Member Alfred A. Mutti in the hospital; Sorry to hear about the Harpins' Jewel; Feb. 23, HEART FUND SUNDAY. HELP, HELP!

The \$2 billion federal highway bill (signed reluctantly by the President in August) is a victory for highway planners over open space planners, the Mass. Audubon Society says. Roads may be built through parks, recreations areas, wildlife refuges and historic sites if they are not owned by local, state or federal governments.

## VWWI CARD

## PARTY WINNERS

The first game in the new series of Whist Parties sponsored by the Veterans of World War One was held last Wednesday evening in the Agawam National Guard Armory on Maynard St. Winning door prizes were Betty Allard, Margaret O'Connor, Peter Lacemark and Frank DeSimone.

Mystery prizes were awarded to Evelyn Miller, Helen Nicols and Mildred Cole. Ace prize winner for the ladies was Evelyn Miller and Raymond Willard for the men.

The following were awarded high score prizes: Ladies — 1st Evelyn Miller, 2nd Betty Allard, 3rd Amelia Riggott, 4th Seline Beauchane; Men — 1st Louis Franchere, 2nd Peter Lacemark, 3rd Walter Haggerty, 4th Raymond Willard.

The next card party will be held at the same place, day and time . . . see you there!

## GREEN THUMB TIPS

Those pictures in the seed catalogs always make gardeners drool and wish their flowers and vegetables would look like the pictures.

If you follow the routine used by the seedsman you'll stand a good chance of accomplishing this.

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